

## bid to avoid clogging Israel-manned ships banned from ports

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER AND YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporters

The Ports Authority yesterday banned all Israel-manned ships from the country's three ports as marine officers union continued negotiations with the shipping companies in "a once and for all" contention that could determine the fate of the merchant marine.

The Authority spokesman Misha told The Jerusalem Post that the decision to ban ships with Israeli crews was taken to prevent further clogging in the already clogged-up ports. The officers have stopped the men from sailing from Haifa, Ashdod and Eilat, paralyzing the important commercial terminals at Haifa and Eilat.

As each side blamed the other for the bad faith, importers, exporters, and the union are starting to transfer cargoes to foreign vessels. The strike of the shippers' council, which told The Post that the strike is still suffering from losses from the recent strike and cannot delay delivery schedules any more, was especially hard hit by the strike, while importers were heavily hit by the late arrival of goods.

It should be noted that, as most cargo ships are now transported by sea, the shut-down of the ports is a serious problem. The union has categorically refused to move the strike-bound ships from the critical berths they occupy.

Meanwhile another dispute is brewing in the Ashdod port. The truckers' association has threatened to stop servicing the port because the annual toll has risen from IL100 to IL150. The truckers are scheduled to meet with the director of the ports authority Yitzhak Rahav on April 24 to discuss the new toll. Port spokesman Halevy told The Post that port fees had been the same for the last three years while the cost-of-living index had spiralled by 152 per cent. "All we decided was to raise the price from IL12 to IL15 per truck. A monthly pass will cost IL25 instead of IL15 while the yearly pass now costs IL150 instead of IL100."

## Artillery duels rage in south Lebanon

By YORAM HAMIZRAHI  
and Jerusalem Post Staff

METULLA. — Despite reports of a Syrian initiative to "freeze" the military situation in southern Lebanon, fierce artillery duels still raged yesterday between Palestinian terrorists and Lebanese Christians and Moslems holding an enclave near the border with Israel. Reports from Beirut said that terrorists and Christian militias were locked also in battles further north, near the Christian stronghold of Marjayoun.

Syria's chief negotiator in Beirut, Colonel Mohammed al-Kholi, yesterday claimed that, once fighting stops in the south, a four-nation Arab committee will implement a 1968 Cairo agreement restricting the presence and activity of terrorists.

A Lebanese Moslem from the village of Adesse near Misgav Am charged that the terrorists laid down a brutal barrage on some 200 of his fellow villagers who were returning home after hearing of a projected cease-fire. Villagers had been told that PLO chief Yasser Arafat had approved the announced cease-fire, he said.

He reported that five villagers were taken to the Israeli side of the border "Good Fence" for medical treatment.

Altogether the army clinic at the town yesterday treated eight Lebanese wounded by shell fragments. One of these was a militiaman from the nearby Tel Lahia position.

The Lebanese militias used tank fire and artillery to cover the evacuation of wounded and their transfer to the border. Most of the fire was directed at the terrorist stronghold at Beaufort castle. The elite has been code-named by Lebanese southerners as "Arafat's evil eye" since it overlooks the entire enclave neighbouring Israel.

Meanwhile, the head office of Magen David Adom announced yesterday that it will install a radio station at the Good Fence to ease communication between the border area, Magen David Adom in Kiryat Shmona and the Safad Government Hospital. Magen David Adom earlier distributed first aid kits and blankets to a number of southern Lebanese villagers.

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Shimon Peres sits quietly as members of the Labour Party's Central Committee approve his nomination as the party's candidate for the premiership, at Beit Arlosoroff in Tel Aviv yesterday.

Sitting with Peres, and voting for him, are Education Minister Aharon Yadin, left, Abdu Ha'avoda leader Avraham Gever, next to Peres, and Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. (David Rubinger)

## Labour endorses Peres as No. 1

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Labour's Central Committee yesterday overwhelmingly chose Shimon Peres to head its Knesset list.

Only eight of some 800 Central Committee members opposed the nomination. Eighteen, including Chairman of the Knesset Finance Committee Israel Kargman, abstained.

Peres will replace Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

In his acceptance speech, Peres tried to dispel suspicions that his supporters would cause other factions out of power. "On my election to head the Alignment list, I'm no longer a member of a faction, a group, or a camp but the servant of the entire movement," he declared.

Peres was the sole candidate following an agreement late Saturday with Foreign Minister Yigal Alon. The agreement, which provided for Alon to be number two and assume the Defence portfolio if he wishes it, averted a possible split with Alon's Kibbutz Hameuhad Movement. Its central committee yesterday approved the agreement but members of the left-wing movement said they would keep a watchful eye on Peres who is more to the right.

The crisis with Mapam, the other left-wing component of the Alignment, may come to a head today when its central committee decides whether to break off the connection with Labour.

## Premiership status 'unclear'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"It is not yet clear what will happen with the premiership between now and the formation of a new government following the elections," Defence Minister Shimon Peres said last night. He said that all were awaiting an authorized interpretation of the law governing the unprecedented situation which had developed since Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's announcement that he was stepping down as head of the Labour Party's Knesset list.

The law calls for the naming of an acting prime minister when the Prime Minister leaves the country or is incapable of fulfilling his duties. The point that has to be cleared up is whether another Minister can be named acting prime minister in a transition government from which no one can resign, if the Prime Minister wants to take a leave of absence.

Replying to a question on the possibility of the inclusion of Rabin in a possible new Labour government after the elections, Peres said that it was not certain whether Rabin wanted to be in the government. In any case, he added, he certainly should be included in the party's Knesset list.

Peres said that he met yesterday morning with Mrs. Golda Meir "not to ask for her support, but for her counsel as a moral authority in the party. I left with the understanding that I would be able to rely on her for such advice."

Labour's Central Committee meets again this afternoon to decide on its list of Knesset candidates. The party branches have elected their quota in the list — 40 per cent of the first 50 seats. The appointments Committee suspended its debate until Peres and Alon reached their agreement. By yesterday afternoon the committee had only listed the names of the people who will be in the "unrealistic" 70 to 130 places.

Pressure on the appointments Committee members were great. Secretary-General Meir Zarmi complained that even though he had not slept for 32 hours, he still faced long

discussions on the composition of the list.

Peres' acceptance speech included barely concealed references to the problems with Mapam. Abdu Ha'avoda, an outline of his policy goals, and a touching message to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin.

In an apparent attempt to stress the difference between his hawkish image and the Likud, the Defence Minister declared: "The party's stand is that we should conduct negotiations on all three fronts with a possibility of a territorial compromise."

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## No major change in policy, says Peres

By YOSEF GOELL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A weary but self-assured Shimon Peres yesterday evening addressed a press conference packed with foreign correspondents who treated him as Israel's new Prime Minister, assuring them that "there would be no substantial change in Israel's foreign policy" under his leadership.

When asked about his identification as a hawk, the present Defence Minister answered that he is neither hawk nor dove but a realist. He declared that the foreign policy he would pursue was the Labour Party's new leader would be "a continued striving for meaningful negotiations with the neighbouring Arab states for the purpose of achieving a true peace."

He said that he is committed to the party's platform and would "faithfully attempt to execute it" before considering any change. This platform, he said, includes a readiness for territorial concessions on all three fronts in the context of peace talks.

As to U.S. President Jimmy Carter's reference to a national home for the Palestinians, Peres expressed the opinion that Carter's statement had been very broad and not clearly defined. In any case, he added, Israel has no objection to negotiating with Palestinians as such. It would not, however, agree to talks with the PLO, he said.

Peres said that he did not oppose the proposed Geneva Middle East talks, but he hoped they would be prepared well as to not raise unreasonable hopes which would lead to dangerous disappointment.

On the question of settlement policy in the West Bank, Peres said that he felt that only settlements which had government approval should be permitted. He himself gave priority to the reinforcement of Jerusalem by a ring of settlements on all four sides.

Peres gave a cryptic reply to a question about his attitude to the (Foreign Minister Yigal) Alon plan, which is a proposed arrangement for settling the West Bank, under which heavily populated areas would be returned to Jordan and sparsely populated areas would be annexed by Israel. "I haven't changed my mind about it," he said.

He was then asked about the recent Labour Party commitment made to former Defence Minister Moshe Dayan that if a coalition partner demanded it, new elections would be held before effecting any territorial concessions on the West Bank to Jordan. "I, too, signed the letter that was sent to Dayan on this matter," Peres replied.

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Tel Aviv Maccabi squad yesterday greets its victory at a celebration in Yarkon Park following a capture of the European Cup on Thursday in Belgrade. From left: Tal Brody, Mickey

Berkowitz, Aulcie Perry, Jim Boatwright, Lou Silver, Motti Aroussi, Bob Griffin and Shuky Schwartz. Story on Page 5.

(Lester J. Millman)

## France airlifts Moroccan aid to Zaire

(UPI). — France announced today that its military transport planes are rushing Moroccan military equipment into Zaire where French and Moroccan forces are fighting a reportedly foreign-led invasion.

An Elysee presidential spokesman said France agreed to the military transport to Morocco at their request. He said: "The Zaire is a victim of armed subversion on its territory. France, as a member of the Organization of African

"The Moroccan government has announced it will respond to this appeal with effective military aid. Because the two governments are not able to insure the rapid transportation, the French authorities have replied positively to their appeal."

An Elysee presidential spokesman said Transall twin-engine military transports and DC8 military aircraft have started airlifting Moroccan war material to Zaire, where Morocco dispatched an expeditionary corps on Saturday night.

He said the planes were flown by French air force crews, but that no other French military forces were involved. The airlift — which in-

cludes the transport of Moroccan war material but not the Moroccan expeditionary units — should be completed in two days, the spokesman said.

The spokesman said the planes, from Orleans Air Transport Base south of Paris, arrived in Morocco on Saturday. The French intervention came under the military clause of special assistance accords France has signed with both Morocco and Zaire.

France already has sent 17 Mirage-5 war planes and 280 light armoured cars to Zaire. Moroccan armed forces also use largely

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## N.Y. Times says Rabin betrayed U.S. supporters

By Post Correspondent  
and agencies

NEW YORK. — In an editorial called "Leadership Israel," "The New York Times" yesterday denounced Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin for having "betrayed the trust of his people and of millions of Americans for whom the health of Israel is a matter of deep concern."

"The Times" said that Israel is politically worse off than after 1973 because it now has no commanding figure who can lead the country in peace negotiations.

"If the Israelis can produce only another weak and diplomatically shackled government, they are going to find Washington designing their security interests and negotiating positions," The Times said. "It they would retain the shape of their own future, and find statesmanship in their present confusion, it must be in a leader who can persuade his people that security lies in a negotiated peace and in firm partnership with the U.S. The recurrent suspicion in Washington that the Israelis cannot rise above petty politics to face their most critical issues must be finally confronted as directly as were the charges against Rabin."

"The Times" said that the Labour Party, or any other party, would be able to claim such a mandate from next month's voting were never very bright. They now seem dim indeed," the newspaper said.

A cartoon in "The Washington Post" yesterday showed the bank where the Rahms had their account and one of the clerks saying: "And ask him also if he still wants his 1972 Nixon-Agnew button." But in its editorial "The Washington Post" said that this cartoon is "unfair."

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## Split expected, despite Peres plea Mapam to decide today on Alignment

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mapam seemed split last night as it approached its decision today on whether to continue its Alignment with the Labour Party, despite more than two hours of urging from Defence Minister Shimon Peres and other Labour leaders.

Peres, now Labour premier candidate following the resignation of Yitzhak Rabin, warned Mapam leaders at a meeting here that a split could mean that the next governing coalition might be formed by the Likud rather than Labour.

The Mapam Central Committee, which in February said it would not accept Peres as Alignment candidate for Prime Minister, will hold a special session here today to decide. One of the party's two traditional leaders Meir Ya'ari, has made it plain that he opposes having Mapam go it alone.

But at a Kibbutz Merhavim meeting last night celebrating Ya'ari's 80th birthday, the other traditional leader — Ya'acov Hagan — broke his long-time support for the Alignment. And he was joined by party secretary-general Meir Talmi and Kibbutz Artzi secretary Natan Peled.

Party sources at Merhavim told The Post that they believed Peres would be "too hawkish," despite his pledge to abide by the "dovish" Labour platform.

Health Minister Victor Shemtov however had not made his position public last night, and party political secretary Nafati Feder was undecided.

Former Prime Minister Golda Meir, who attended the Merhavim meeting, strongly urged Mapam to stay in the Alignment. "I assume responsibility for the Alignment's

failure to function as it should have, but we are all in the same boat and have nowhere to turn to," she said.

At yesterday's Tel Aviv meeting, Peres, after beginning his formal plea for support with a personal tribute to Ya'ari, said that a split might make the Likud the largest faction after the elections.

It was then possible that the Likud and the Democratic Movement for Change, assisted by the National Religious Party, might form the government, he said.

The Labour movement, backed by the kibbutz and moshav movements, was "the backbone of Israel," he said. It would be an unparadise, he said, if the Labour Party were to lose the leadership, he declared.

Mapam veteran Ya'acov Hagan responded frankly: "We appreciate your abilities, but we have some misgivings. A Prime Minister performs according to his lights, even when he tries to follow an agreed line. Will

you establish a national unity government?"

Peres' answer was unequivocal: "There is no intention of forming one — unless the country faces the emergency of war. Anyhow," Peres added, "it is not likely that the Likud would accept any of Labour's premises on most major issues."

On the practical side, Peres promised to associate Mapam in decision-making processes. He said he intended to ask his Labour colleagues to establish a small political committee of the Alignment, with only eight or nine members. This body would include Mapam representatives and Mrs. Golda Meir.

In addition, Peres said he intended to call special meetings of Alignment ministers before regular Cabinet meetings to establish a coordinated policy.

Hatidrut secretary-general Yeruham Meshel revealed that it

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## How to buy precious jewellery in a foreign country.

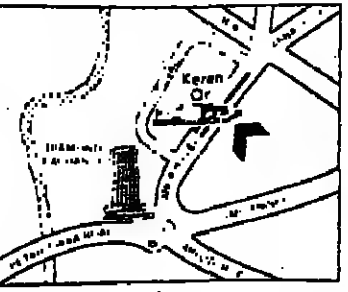
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**SOCIAL & PERSONAL**

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received a group of professors from academic institutions in the Boston area, headed by Prof. Nadav Safran of Harvard. The President also received MK Avraham Shechterman.

Mrs. Ingegard Fraenkel of the Swedish Parliament, Chairman of the Liberal Women's Party of Sweden and member of the Swedish delegation to the UN General Assembly, together with her husband, last week attended a dinner given in her honour by Mrs. Dana Ben-Ami of the World Zionist Executive at her home in Netanya. Swedish Ambassador and Mrs. Ivo Doelling were among the guests, as were also Mr. Eytan Ron, Director of the International Organizations Department of the Israel Foreign Ministry and Mrs. Ron and Mr. and Mrs. Michael Comay.

Mrs. Fraenkel also visited Wizo's women's centres in Tel Aviv's Keren Hatelminim and Hatikva quarters, accompanied by Mrs. Adina Matalon, Chairman of Wizo's Tel Aviv branch. (Communicated)

Mrs. Raya Jaglom, President of World Wizo, yesterday met with Mrs. Kisa De-Boeck, President of Women's Organizations, Belgium, after her visit to Wizo children's, youth and women's institutions in Tel Aviv. Mrs. De-Boeck was guest of honour at a luncheon at Wizo House in Tel Aviv that was attended by members of the World Wizo Executive. (Communicated)

Staying at the Dan Hotel, Tel Aviv: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rubinstein; Harlem Globetrotters; Board of jurors of the Rubinstein International Piano Master Competition; Robert L. Ashley — U.S.A. table tennis champion; G. Flakos — international table tennis champion.

Magen Broshi will speak on "Archaeological Excavations in the Old City" at tonight's meeting of the Rotary Club of Jerusalem West, at 19.00, at the King David Hotel.

"What is Jewish Folklore?" will be discussed this evening at the Hebrew University Forum by Mrs. Rachel Golanek of the Hebrew University. The meeting will take place at 8 o'clock at the United Synagogue Centre, 2 Agon Street, Jerusalem.

An exhibit of table sculptures by British sculptor Anthony Caro, regarded as the most important contemporary sculptor in the Cubist tradition, opens tomorrow at the Tel Aviv Museum with the sculptor in attendance. The exhibit, sponsored by the British Council, will be opened by British Ambassador John Mason. The sculptor is meanwhile scheduled to give a talk today at the Israel Museum in Jerusalem, and will speak at the Tel Aviv Museum tomorrow following the opening.

**Court order for British charters**

The High Court of Justice yesterday served an order nisi on the Transport Minister ordering him to explain why the Civil Aviation Authority turned down the request of a British airline to fly special charter flights to the tenth anniversary of Jerusalem's reunification and the tenth Maccabiah.

The British line, Dan Air, is represented in Israel by Maof Airlines and Intertours. In their application for the court order they said they submitted a request on March 24 to allow Dan Air to land here. This was after El Al had turned down an offer to operate Intertours charters. Their application for a landing permit was delayed — the applicants claimed after heavy El Al pressure — and eventually rejected. The authority's grounds for turning down the request was that the Jerusalem anniversary and the tenth Maccabiah are not special events that justify a landing permit for Dan Air.

**Gunman slays ex-premier of Yemen**

LONDON (Reuters). — A former prime minister of the Yemen Arab Republic, his wife and a Yemeni diplomat were shot dead by an assassin outside a luxury hotel here yesterday.

A Yemeni embassy spokesman said the dead were former Prime Minister Razi Abdullah Ahmed al-Hagri, 60, his wife Fatima, 40, and Abdullah Ali al-Hammami, 45, minister at the Yemen embassy in London.

They were killed in their car by a ragged gunman who wrenched open the passenger door and spattered them with revolver bullets at point-blank range, police said.

Witnesses, including the hotel doorman, described the assassin as a man in his early twenties with Middle Eastern features, a long nose and baggy trousers. He had loitered around the hotel for some time before the shooting.

Scotland Yard said the killer ran across the street as the three Yemennites settled into their maroon Mercedes, shot them and then walked into an underground railway station where he was lost in the Easter morning crowd.

One eyewitness pursued the killer but lost him.

Hagri, who was prime minister from December 1972 to February 1974, had been in London for three weeks to accompany his wife who was receiving medical treatment, an embassy spokesman said.

It is believed the Hagris had 11 children.

The killing occurred at 11 a.m. outside the Royal Lancaster Hotel, which overlooks Hyde Park. The three Arabs, dressed in their white robes, had left the hotel lobby and settled into their car. Hammami was in the driver's seat.

Hagri's takeover as prime minister followed bitter internal disputes within the northern government over Libyan-sponsored plans to create a single Yemeni republic. Within a year thousands were arrested and some executed as subversives as the government struggled to retain power.

After he relinquished his post the Soviet-trained Yemeni army formed a seven-strong council to assume power.

Hagri's opponents accused him of being a royalist, a supporter of the late King Faisal of Saudi Arabia and opposed to a union with the Marxist regime of South Yemen.

When he died he was deputy chief of the supreme court in his country.

**Effort to avert clinic strike**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Every effort is being made to avoid a strike of Kupat Holim clinic doctors, spokesmen for both the doctors and the Histadrut sick fund's central committee told The Jerusalem Post yesterday.

Both sides refused to comment on the preliminary "discussions," which are preceding the actual "negotiations." However, it was learned that both are seeking a way to increase the doctors' actual take-home pay without raising their basic wages.

This will probably be done by paying the doctors "overtime" pay in one form or another.

The Israel Medical Association's national committee is to meet tonight to discuss the matter. Last week the IMA announced that if negotiations did not proceed favourably this week it might call a strike of all clinic doctors this Thursday.

**Last but not lost**

OFAKIM (Itim). — A police plane combed the fields around this Negv kibbutz to find a seven-year-old boy who trailed behind the 2,500 participants of the Negv march which took place yesterday.

The boy's nine-year-old sister, who walked the 13-kilometre children's route, told police she reached the finishing point that she had lost her little brother. Police cars set out to find the boy and a plane was later called in. Policemen in the plane spotted the boy walking alone far behind the last marchers. A police car picked him up and brought him to the end of the route.

The adult participation in the march walked a 25-kilometre route. A group of workers from the Makhteshim chemical plant won first prize in the adult grouping and the Beersheba Scouts were best in the youth division.

**Costa Rica FM ends 6-day visit**

BEN-GURION AIRPORT (Itim). — Costa Rican Foreign Minister Gonzalo Fazio left here yesterday after a six-day visit.

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Please refrain from condolence visits.

**See how they run**

By Asher Wallfish

Thirty-six new lists are running in the May 17 elections, apart from the established parties, we were notified by Avraham Maren, the perennial spokesman of the Central Elections Committee.

The latest five lists which requested registration material included two Arab lists, Mordechai Ben-Porat's list, Shmuel Kaniel's list, and a beautiful people's list with the Hebrew acronym of "Moche" — *Myleget Shoharei Hayofi* — The Beauty-Lovers Party.

The Central Elections Committee, after giving the lists' sponsors time to correct any errors, must notify all those which receive its approval with regard to authenticity of sponsors' signatures and so forth, not later than 30 days before May 17, election day.

Lists of candidates and of sponsors, as well as the deposit, must be submitted today or tomorrow. Please hurry! Have your IL40,000 cheque for the deposit ready and your 750 signatures of sponsors, who must have the right to vote.

Mahmoud Abbaat the well-known Arab writer, has announced that he is leaving the Labour Party. Apparently he has not been promised a safe place on the Alignment list, after his expectations were raised. He has reportedly launched a new "Reform Movement" list.

Tourism Minister Moshe Kol, the Independent Liberal leader, has demanded that the Cabinet discuss the Baka al-Gharbiye clashes on April 30 at its next session. He will ask for a state commission of enquiry, Kol said. He decided to air the issue after meeting the chairman of the Baka local council, Jalal Abu Tu'ama.

Knesset Member Zalman Shervel (Likud-La'am) who chairs the Likud's platform committee, warned that Shimon Peres, if he becomes Premier, would be "a prisoner in the hands of a group of leftists, doves and opportunists, all characterised by the ridiculous proposal to have the Defence Ministry headed by one of the men most responsible for the Yom Kippur War disaster."

The writer Moshe Shamir, who is identified with the Land of Israel Movement, said in Kiryat Gat: "We should have pity on the State of Israel and not on the Rabbits."

Prof. Yigael Yadin, head of the Democratic Movement for Change, parted from Victor Tassar and his Zionist Panthers more in sorrow than in anger after they notified him they were quitting the bloc. "I'm not so sure that an independent course, then faraway. Our aim is not different from yours. The welfare of the disadvantaged was, and will remain, at the focus of our activity."

DMC's 120-member council holds working sessions in Jerusalem today and tomorrow including a festive session at Binyamin Ha'oma. The new Rebbe of Gur, Rabbi Shmuel Benim Alter, shook the Hassidic world yesterday, with a permit to the faithful to vote for the Poale Aguda party, if they wished. In past years the Gur Hassidim were always instructed to vote solely for the Aguda party.

The Rebbe's move may conceivably have been connected with the fact that the Aguda's Shlomo Lorincz, MK, has relented, and agreed to run for re-election on the Knesset list after all. When Lorincz was placed third on the list (after being first) he was cut to the quick, and said he preferred not to run at all. Lorincz has told colleagues that the Council of Torah Sages, which guides the policies of the Aguda, has put pressure on him. Lorincz' faction generally holds aloof from Zionist ideology, and a gesture to placate Lorincz may conceivably have upset the staunchly Zionist Gur Hassidim.

Yitzhak Barkai, the chairman of the ILP campaign headquarters, thinks that the May 17 elections are superfluous, for an original reason. "The fact that the Labour Party headed by Shimon Peres accepted an ultimatum by Moshe Dayan means that the nation cannot decide whether or not the Government is authorised to make peace in return for territorial compromise. The present elections are therefore premature, and we are throwing millions of pounds down the drain," Barkai said.

Shaul's Amnon Zichroni, the right-hand man of Uri Avneri and his hard-working legal adviser, especially in libel cases, called on Prof. Yigael Yadin to emulate Yitzhak Barkai's example and resign from DMC. "Rabin himself admitted that he violated the currency regulations," Zichroni said. Shalom Cohen, who is running with Yehoshua Peretz of Ashdod port renova in the Hefezah list, grumbled about his trial and sentence last month, for demonstrating in November 1974 in Tel Aviv. "I have no complaints about political motivation in the judgement and sentence," Cohen said. "But the timing of the charge and date of the trial were a calculated political act, designed to harm the electoral prospects of my new party."

Cohen got a four months' term, suspended for three years, plus a fine of IL4,700 with the alternative of 60 days. He refused to pay the fine on novel grounds: "I don't want to exploit the fact that I personally can afford to pay the fine while others who lack the money have to sit in prison." He also objected to the fact that the suspended sentence would prevent him from taking part in any unlicensed demonstration for the next three years automatically. Samuel Flato Sharon, who is running on a one-man ticket found himself alongside President Ephraim Katzir at the Mimouna celebrations in Jerusalem, inside the VIP tent. His wife Amette, who is herself a North African immigrant from a remote part of the Atlas Mountains in Morocco, was crowned "queen of the tent." Flato Sharon's colleagues claimed that President Katzir wished the candidate "good luck" but the President's men know nothing about this.

For See-How-They-Run's quote of the day, we are indebted to Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, MK, a fiery spokesman of the ex-Abdud Avoda wing of Labour who is unhappy about Rabin resigning and Peres heading the Labour list. Ben-Aharon lashed out at the Attorney-General, Prof. Aharon Barak: "He fails to distinguish between a financial criminal and a simple man who merely slipped on a banana-skin."



Prof. Yigael Yadin, head of the Democratic Movement for Change, joins in the fun yesterday at the Mimouna celebration in Jerusalem's Vale of Rehavia. (Rahamin Yisraeli)

**Thousands fill Vale of Rehavia for Mimouna**

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Hundreds of thousands of persons of North African origin celebrated the traditional Mimouna festival yesterday in 18 communities around the country, according to the festival organisers.

The celebrants came despite a plea by Sephardi rabbis to avoid the festivities which, they said, had turned commercial and gaudy.

The principal celebration was in Jerusalem's Valley of Rehavia, where President Ephraim Katzir paid an official visit. So did several political candidates, including Yigael Yadin, head of the Democratic Movement for Change. Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who had been scheduled to appear, was not there.

Participants plied one another with the slopes of the valley and in adjacent Sacher Park. Police reported no incidents.

At the municipal beach on Lake Kinneret in Tiberias, entertainment included a show of traditional North African dance, distribution of prizes for the best delicacies and singing.

LUDVINA JANSSEN, the 34-year-old Dutch woman who was convicted of aiding a terror organization, yesterday appealed to the Supreme Court against the severity of her six-year sentence. The prosecution has also filed an appeal against the Tel Aviv court's sentence, saying it is too light.

**U.S. artillery shells misfire**

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number of rounds are fired. But the sophisticated HEAT, APDS and HEP rounds generate much more heat when fired than other types of shells, which may cause the barrels to wear out faster than anticipated. This might account for one aspect of the ammunition problem — rounds exploding prematurely just after leaving the gun. There have been no reported injuries from the malfunction.

According to the sources, the army hopes to solve the problem by the end of this year. Basically, the army is checking every shell in its inventory, while at the same time developing new procedures to replace barrels.

APDS shells have a hard core (sabot), made of tungsten-carbide, inside a steel jacket. The core separates from the shell on impact, and concentrates its energy on a small area, creating tremendous force against a heavily armoured target. HEP rounds detonate a plastic explosive on impact, making a small "puddle" on the surface of the target. When detonated the puddle burns through relatively thin armour and creates a hole. HEAT rounds have a copper-lined cone that, when detonated, produces a jet of copper that can pierce any known armour.

**Moroccan aid to Zaire**

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French military equipment.

The spokesman said he did not know whether the terminal of the airlift was Kinshasa, the Zairean capital, or Kolwezi, the main Zairean military base in Shaba, where the fighting is taking place.

President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing is known to have close personal relations with both President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire and King Hassan II of Morocco.

Diplomatic sources said Giscard was under pressure from moderate African nations to help Zaire.

The French intervention follows earlier French support for Zaire's assertions that the military invasion of its mineral-rich southern province of Shaba is supported by Soviet and Cuban-backed forces based in Angola.

Giscard is expected to report on the French intervention in his scheduled television appearance Tuesday night in which he is due to discuss foreign policies with a panel of French journalists.

Giscard's move may hurt France's relations with Angola and the Soviet Union. Both Luanda and Moscow have angrily denied charges of involvement in the conflict.

**Police checking Laviv complaint**

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — The police said yesterday that they are checking out a complaint submitted by "Ha'clam Hareh" journalist Yigael Laviv against Professor Yigael Yadin concerning the sale of antiquities abroad.

The police spokesman's office vehemently denied the magazine's claim that the police were dragging their feet in the case.

The magazine's publisher, Uri Avneri, is being sued by Yadin for printing a story that the professor, now leader of the Democratic Movement for Change, had violated foreign-currency regulations in connection with a 1973 antiquities sale.

Avneri yesterday wrote Attorney-General Aharon Barak charging that the police seemed to be relating to Laviv's complaint against Yadin "in the way they at first related to the complaint submitted by Mr. Laviv against Asher Yadin" (then nominee to be Governor of the Bank of Israel and now in jail for financial misdeeds).

Yadin is also suing Laviv for criminal libel.

Hebrew University President Avraham Harman has ordered an investigation of the entire system whereby many university personnel are authorized to sign and endorse cheques on behalf of the university, the institute's spokesman said last night.

The spokesman, conceding that the investigation results from the Laviv charge against Prof. Yadin, denied that Yadin himself was the object of the probe.

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**Labour Central Committee endorses Peres**

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promise. This is not the ... Likud's position."

Turning to the Democratic Movement for Change's demand for electoral reform, he said: "I'm in favour of changing the electoral system but I can't say that in the coming year and a half the problem is electoral reform."

Peres said Labour's goal in foreign affairs and security was attaining a genuine peace. He warned the Arab countries against misinterpreting recent developments to conclude that Israel is weak and "now is the time to renew the military option."

In an apparent attempt to mend fences with former Prime Minister Golda Meir (who has opposed him) he said: "Mrs. Meir and the first Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion enriched our lives." Mrs. Meir and former Defence Minister Moshe Dayan were conspicuous in their absence from yesterday's Central Committee meeting.

Peres concluded his speech with an address to Rabin. "The public judges a prime minister by his headlines, not by the burdens imposed on him, of red telephones at night and repeated warnings during the day, of conflicting expectations among the public."

Rabin "served his people and country faithfully and with full devotion ... with time ... your abilities and capabilities will surely find expression," Peres said to thundering applause. Rabin nodded in thanks.

The Prime Minister was warmly received in the hall, and by 300 to 350 people outside Beit Arlosoroff here. Several supporters of the "Citizens for Rabin Movement" carried placards saying, "Yitzhak Rabin — we're with you," and "Rabin come back — we need you."

**U.S. won't release Soviet trawlers**

SALTOON, Georgia (UPI). — President Carter said yesterday that he had informed the Soviet Embassy that the U.S. would no longer continue to release Russian trawlers seized in U.S. waters.

Carter was asked about the seizure of a Russian trawler off the New England coast late Saturday and said that he had given the orders. Reporters were told that several of them had been released previously.

**Rabin affair busies British press**

By MARK SEGAL  
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — The British media have given Premier Rabin's resignation front-page coverage, with much concern over its implications for Middle East peace-making. The supposedly hawkish approach of Shimon Peres and the dovish line of Yigael Alon were highlighted in press and TV comments.

Some newspapers have linked Rabin's downfall to the recent episode of corruption cases. As the "Daily Telegraph" put it: "Napoleonic jobbery, corruption and a tendency on the part of some of Israel's Labour establishment to regard laws as made for other people are not new." But the usually pro-Israel paper found hope in the fact that "what is new is they can no longer do so with impunity."

The role of Mrs. Rabin in her husband's downfall has focused attention on her personality, the "Daily Mail" reporting on her "unpopularity with the Israeli public due to her dominating character and pushing ways." The Sunday Express is today publishing a long story about Mrs. Rabin focusing on her comparisons of herself to the widow

**Peres promises no major change**

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Lebanon. Peres said that the Christian villagers on the Lebanese border are in a good position to defend themselves. He denied that any Christian villages had been overrun. "Khayam was not a Christian village," he said.

If the terrorists in that area endangered the security of Israel in the North, Israel would take the proper steps, he promised.

Admitting that he had had only "four or five hours sleep" since the announcement of Prime Minister

**Yitzhak Rabin's resignation**

Thursday night, Peres said would begin his campaign as Labour's list on Wednesday.

Egyptian officials agreed yesterday that the choice of Peres not lead to many changes.

Both men are hawks, they said.

The officials referred to a statement by Egyptian President Sadat made on Saturday night in the moment on Rabin's resignation. "There are no doves in Israel. They are hawks," he was quoted as saying.

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**Peres pleads with Mapam not to split**

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was he who had arranged meeting at which Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Alon told Peres he would oppose him as Labour replacement for Rabin. Meshel said he "conceivably" the dissolution of Alignment in the Histadrut.

Justice Minister Haim Z. speaking with pathos, told Meir: "Do not break the tools the government has forged." The delegation also included Minister of Police Shlomo Hillel, and Shaul MIZ.

The Executive committee of Rabin's Mapam's kibbutz movement, was evenly divided on going to its meeting here earlier day. But veteran leader clearly opted for continuation of Alignment, as the only alternative to "workers' hegemony."

In Alon's Kibbutz Hamenuha Central Committee meeting yesterday, Alon explained he decided to go along with Peres because a divided party had a chance of gaining the votes.

In the "fateful years before" said, the country had to deal with external pressures but internal problems such as the financial field and low morale.

Alon called for a sense of responsibility to take priority any other considerations. He said that in his talks with Peres he preferred not to sign any document.

His colleague in Labour's Abud-Ha'avoda wing, Yitzhak Aharon, who for years has advocated that the wing take dependent course to the Labour, was rather conciliatory. He said: "Though opinions were different, we have accepted Alon's move."

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# Comptroller slams currency fiddles gov't company

By MEIR MERHAV  
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

The Comptroller has sharply criticized a Government-owned diamond exporting company for faulty accounting, which, among other things, appeared to aid and abet the evasion of foreign currency regulations by employees.

The Pituh Research and Development Company for the diamond industry managed to lose its operations in two foreign currencies. The Comptroller pointed out that the company had established a purchase diamonds for the diamond industry, had accounted payment procedures which encouraged employees to evade foreign currency laws abroad. These also included an inordinate frequency of trips abroad by employees, some for periods of up to months.

The Comptroller found that the company had deducted income tax not due on the foreign exchange made by employees, but from the company's profits. "Thereby," the Comptroller said, "the company's employees to avoid even the foreign exchange for the payment of income tax, accounting for payments abroad is done solely by company accountants, without further audit by another body and abetting of concealment of the foreign currency transactions, however, goes much further." When employees went abroad, the Comptroller noted, they advanced in foreign currency, when they returned, the company did not reclaim any surpluses or actual expenditure.

The company also advanced its employees foreign exchange for expenses abroad, unrelated to their duties, and collected the amount in Israeli currency. Thus, the Comptroller wrote, in December the company advanced to two employees \$2,000 each, and one employee \$1,000 in January 1974. In June 1974, the company paid one of its employees an advance of \$3,000 to finance a trip abroad. All these advances were collected in Israeli currency. (The travel allowance for going abroad is \$450).

Along with the frequency of employees' trips abroad the Comptroller wrote: "In addition to employees staying in company's branches abroad for periods of half-a-year and even more, company employees go on duty for short periods to various places in the world. The number of such trips in recent years was an average of 25 journeys a year."

The total number of company employees in 1975 and 1976 was 26, of whom seven were management, secretariat and service employees. The company, while lax in procedures and accounting-keeping, and generous towards its employees, was not so successful in its business operations. In one country, Pituh ran a joint venture with the local government — the Central African Republic (the name of the country does not appear in the Comptroller's report, but is contained in the recently published report on government corporations). It lost IL2,250,000 there.

In another country the company lost \$200,000 in the last three years closed its branch there but re-opened it in November 1976. The Comptroller pointed out that in a third country the company both buys and sells diamonds, contrary to its supposed aims, which are to supply rough diamonds for local industry. In that country there are no records according to which commercial operations can be evaluated, but the cost of keeping the office there is \$100,000 a year.

The company also seems to sell the diamonds it buys abroad without any fixed rules. There is no record of regular buyers. There is also no clear procedure for evaluating the diamonds bought or sold. Guidelines with regard to selling prices are given orally by the company's director "which made it difficult to conduct any follow-up... since the director is abroad for long periods."

On top of all this, there is no effective control of what the company's inventories are worth, at what prices they buy and sell, and how transactions can be verified. "The company's buyers... have much freedom of action, and they are authorized to decide on purchase prices, quantities and classification. ... There is no way to ascertain that the quantities of diamonds which arrive reported on all the transactions carried out."

The company's general manager is Zeev Eshel, the chairman of its board of directors is Moshe Alpan. Other members of the board are Shmuel Eden of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, B. Lidor, now retired and formerly with the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, and A. Piersdorf, who has held various responsible positions in the public service. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry is responsible for the company.



Princesses Sirindhorn and Chulabhorn of Thailand are greeted with flowers and their country's new ambassador to Israel, Swate Komalbhuti, as they step off an El Al plane from Teheran yesterday followed by their entourage. The two princesses, who have come for a 10-day visit, walked smiling along a red carpet where they were greeted by the President's aide-de-camp, scores of Thais who live in Israel and hundreds of local schoolchildren waving Thai and Israeli flags. Along the carpet Thai women clad in long dresses bowed to their knees and presented

flowers in little dishes wrapped in white napkins. The princesses arrived with a delegation including a military aide-de-camp and agricultural experts. Princess Sirindhorn told a reporter: "I study geography, and agricultural affairs interest me greatly." After the airport reception the princesses drove to Jerusalem. Newly arrived Thai ambassador Komalbhuti presented his credentials to President Katzir on Sunday so that he would be able to greet the princesses as a full-fledged ambassador.

(Israel Sun)

## Fans brave heat at Maccabi 'festival'

TEL AVIV. — To the cheering, shouting and singing of some 60,000 fans Maccabi Tel Aviv players, who won the European Cup last week, received the keys of the city from Mayor Shlomo Lahat yesterday afternoon.

Despite the shaviv, some fans had been waiting for 3 1/2 hours when the team arrived at the Yarkon Park in police vans at 4 p.m. Young fans attempted to swamp the victorious team. But policemen held them back and the players made their way unmolested to the stage where Mayor Lahat, MK Moshe Dayan, and master of ceremonies Uri Zohar were waiting.

Such was the noisy enthusiasm of the crowd that Lahat was unable to make himself heard. He contented himself with calling upon the crowd to give the team three hearty cheers and then presented the keys of the city to team members. Garlands of flowers were also placed around their necks.

Team Captain Tal Brody, who was able to impose a measure of quiet, said the team had done the unbelievable, proving that everything

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

is possible for someone who wants it badly enough.

Fans were entertained with music broadcast from loudspeakers and a six-piece band. The most popular song of the afternoon was "Maccabi shelanu."

For the benefit of the hungry there were at least 35 kiosks selling a variety of food from corn-on-the-cob to hot dogs. At least five peddlars were hawking IL25 T-shirts decorated with pictures of the players. One salesman offered the reading of Maccabi songs. Another sold key chains, with the team emblem, for IL10. One hawk was selling Israeli flags.

Although the police were prepared for 150,000 fans, and any possible disasters, the crowd was a good-natured one. About the only trouble came when several people, including children, fainted from the heat and the excitement.

While most of the fans were on the

younger side of 30, there was a goodly portion of oldsters.

The team's arrival at Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday morning was a much quieter affair. Authorities at Ben-Gurion, fearing chaos at the airport, had been issuing a variety of contradictory statements about when and where the players would arrive.

In addition, the flight was delayed in Belgrade when the Macedonian management refused to allow fans to travel back to Israel with the players.

After several fistfights, hours of negotiation and a six-hour delay, the plane with the fans on board took off.

When the players finally did arrive yesterday morning, on an El Al Jumbo at 6.30 a.m., the only people on hand were hundreds of policemen and border patrol units, some 15 photographers and reporters, and half-a-dozen fans who had been waiting outside the arrival lounge at the airport throughout the night.

16 ENTRANTS picked the 13 correct results in last week's Sportoto football pool. Each won IL41,000. Twelve correct results were worth IL725, 11 winners earned IL45, and ten picks collected IL10.50.

## East, West Christians mark Easter

By HAIM SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Latin and Greek Orthodox ceremonies took place in close succession yesterday as Christians from East and West celebrated Easter on the same day.

The Church of the Holy Sepulchre was filled with hundreds for the Roman Catholic Pontifical High Mass, led by the Latin Patriarch, Monsignor Giacomo Beltritti, at 10.30 a.m.

But the throngs were greater for the Greek Orthodox procession and mass at 12.30. Observers noted that virtually all of the 5,000 pilgrims from Cyprus and Greece tried to visit the sacrament. Many reportedly spent the night in the sanctuary in order to be assured of a place. Due to the illness of the patriarch, the rites were led by Metropolitan Vasilios.

Elsewhere in the city, a record 1,750 worshippers attended an English sunrise service at the Garden Tomb. The sermon was delivered by Bishop Goodwin Hudson of London and the choir was Singers of Praise, a group gathered from all over Israel.

An official of the Garden Tomb said that services in other languages, beginning with German at 5 a.m. and ending with Swedish at 11.45, were not as well attended as in previous years.

But Easter did not go smoothly for all. A delegation of Russian churchmen who arrived on Saturday found that their luggage, containing all their vestments, had gone astray somewhere between Moscow and Ben-Gurion Airport.

## Art work for defence fund

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — More than 60 top Israeli artists have donated their works, worth IL1m, for the benefit of the voluntary defence fund, Moshe Glibo, director of the fund, said at a press conference yesterday. The works will be displayed this week at the artists' pavilion in Rehov Alhazri.

Two works are priced at IL100,000. One, by the late Reuven Rubinfeld titled "Pomegranates on my Window," was previously exhibited at the Tel Aviv Museum. Sculptor Eli Eilan also set IL100,000 as the price of his contribution. Agam priced his "Agamogramme" of Ben-Gurion at IL30,000. There are cheaper entries, too. Anna Ticho has set IL25,000 for a rare water-colour.

## Boy hurt in blast

A 14-year-old boy from Beit Sahur village near Bethlehem was seriously injured yesterday when an object he picked up exploded. Police said the boy, Mohammed Abu Dar, had evidently been playing with the object. They are trying to determine what it was.

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## Hebron mayor to visit Arab states

AMMAN (Reuters). — The first official delegation from Hebron to visit other Arab countries will start its trip this week. Fahd Kawasme, the Mayor of Hebron, said here.

The Mayor, who arrived here on Friday, has conferred with Jordanian Prime Minister Modar Badran. Kawasme said he would leave for Saudi Arabia next week and go on to Qatar, Abu Dhabi and Kuwait. He said that he would discuss with Arab leaders the situation in Hebron and seek funds to finance municipal projects.

Yesterday, Badran conferred with Gaza Mayor Rashad Shawa. The latter arrived earlier in the day with a number of his city councillors. The purpose of the visit was not disclosed. Shawa is expected to meet King Hussein today.

## Tear gas used in Nablus rioting

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NABLUS. — Security forces used tear gas yesterday to break up a demonstration staged here in protest against Israeli settlement in the area.

The security forces took the measure when scores of schoolchildren, shouting anti-Israel slogans, stormed the central square and tossed rocks at passing vehicles. The demonstrators later withdrew to the old Casbah marketplace where they continued to throw stones and burn tyres for some time from behind the district's fortified ancient walls.

Shopkeepers who closed down during the rioting reopened their premises later in the day.

An undisclosed number of youths were detained at the end of the demonstrations staged for the second straight day.

## East Jerusalem woman found slain in home

Police in Jerusalem yesterday opened an investigation into the death of Meliha Aref Abu Gosh, 40, whose battered body was found early yesterday morning in her East Jerusalem home.

The woman's husband told police that he found her body when he returned from work to their Shelkh Jarrah Quarter flat. He then called the police and a doctor.

The police said they have as yet no motive for the killing. The husband is not being held.

## Canadian Defence Minister re-for talks with Peres

Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — Canadian Defence Minister Barnet Danson arrived here yesterday for a three-day visit as guest of Defence Minister Shimon Peres, who is Jewish, arrived from Damascus where he met his Syrian opposite number and toured Canadian UN units serving on the Golan line.

## Inquents excel Civil Guard

AVIV (Itim). — Forty teen youths, "some with police hats, have recently joined the ranks of the Civil Guard, according to the Guard's national officer, Holon commander Roni. He says the boys are now among the most active and outstanding members.

A newsletter says the boys come from a neighbourhood peopled by long-time ma'abara (shanty-dwellers). There is a high level of lawbreaking in the neighbourhood, and this had included disturbances outside the Civil Guard base, which is sited there. The boys were first offered membership in the Guard when they were reluctant, the newsletter said since their induction they made the base their second home.

## National Conference Likud Immigrant Activists

Monday, April 11, at Beit Jabotinski, Tel Aviv (Olamei Ha'atzma'ut, 2nd floor)

The conference will open at 5 p.m. All new immigrant activists working in the elections organization are invited.

Opening remarks: Mordechai Dayan  
Addresses: Menahem Begin, M.K.  
Simha Ehrlich, M.K.  
Yigal Horowitz, M.K.

Remarks on Likud platform information, the budget and organization will be given by Uri Oren, Haim Aharon, and Moshe Stein.

Concluding remarks: Knesset Deputy Speaker, Ben-Zion Keshet, M.K.  
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Barnet Danson, Canadian Defence Minister, arrives at Ben-Gurion Airport yesterday for a three-day visit and is greeted by Aluf Raphael Vardi, head of the IDF Manpower branch. Defence Minister Shimon Peres had planned to receive Mr. Danson, but was detained at the Labour Party special session.

(Israel Sun)

from Israel to Egypt.

Danson, 56, is a native of Toronto. A World War II veteran, he was wounded while serving in combat with the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada.

He was appointed Minister of National Defence in November 1976.

## 'Kidnapper' runs amok

Police in Jerusalem yesterday used tear gas to restrain a father who refused to accept a High Court order to return his three young daughters to their mother in France.

The three Lelouche girls — aged seven, five and three — are meanwhile scheduled to be flown back to France today or tomorrow, at the expense of the French Consulate.

The Lelouche case began last July 3, when the father Claude took the three girls out under his visiting rights. Instead of returning them to his former wife Rahel, he took them on a tour through several European countries ending two months later in Israel.

He notified the French Consulate on his arrival here, and at first expressed willingness to return if they would finance the trip. But later he backed down, apparently out of fear of prosecution in France for kidnapping.

At the behest of the mother, the Consulate subsequently took legal action.

At the High Court yesterday, a three-justice panel, stressing the Court's policy of upholding the decisions of foreign courts, told the tense Lelouche that he must give the girls up. He loudly objected, and was told that if he did not restrain himself he would be held in contempt of court.

Nevertheless, when Lelouche walked out to the corridor, where his three daughters had been running about happily, he began to run amok, and the girls, startled, began to cry. Court attendants tried to subdue him, and when they failed police sprayed him with tear gas.

The girls were meanwhile taken by Mrs. Anna Pollan, wife of the attorney representing the Consulate. The Consulate said yesterday that they will enable Lelouche to accompany them back to France if he so wishes.

## Dutchmen to plant Yad Vashem trees

Seven Dutchmen will have trees planted in their names today in Yad Vashem's Avenue of Righteous Gentiles in recognition of their bravery in saving Jews during the Holocaust.

Hendrik Sietema will receive a medal — Yad Vashem's highest honour — and plant a tree in his and his brother Henk's names. The two found safe places for Jews while working in the Dutch resistance. Both were arrested by the Nazis and put in concentration camps, where Henk died.

Theo and Eva Maria Bol hid eight Jews in their home for 11 months. Theo Bol's widow received the Yad Vashem medal in 1969, and his three children have now arrived in Israel to plant the tree.

Arie and Maria Bergwerff also hid Jews in their home. Arie Bergwerff died of injuries sustained in a concentration camp. His widow has already received the Yad Vashem medal through the Israeli embassy in Holland.

The fourth tree to be planted today is named for Piet Aarts who organized an entire village for the Dutch resistance and hid many Jews in transit, providing them with papers and food coupons.

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## 'La Pasionaria' due back soon

# Spanish Communists now legal

MADRID. — Spain's Communist Party, on Saturday finally declared itself by the government, yesterday began preparing for its first parliamentary election in more than 30 years.

As party members cruised through downtown Madrid honking their horns and waving red flags bearing the hammer and sickle, party leaders announced the imminent return from her Moscow exile of the party's 81-year-old president, Dolores Ibarruri — the fiery Civil War orator "La Pasionaria."

Party militants also held numerous private fiestas to celebrate.

The legalization of the long-banned party in a surprise Easter weekend announcement cleared away the last

big obstacle to Spain's June parliamentary elections, the first free ones since 1936. The move also was expected to bolster Premier Adolfo Suarez's intention, unless King Juan Carlos disagrees, to stay in power no matter who wins.

A jubilant Communist official said yesterday that the party, outlawed when the late General Francisco Franco won the Spanish Civil War in 1939, would have no objection if Suarez wanted to remain as premier.

Reaction from the rest of the country's politicians and press was largely favourable. Hardline Francoists, as expected, called the legalization betrayal.

The Interior Ministry announced on Saturday that the party had been

declared legal after the attorney general had found nothing in its by-laws that conflicted with the penal code.

The Interior Ministry ruled on the matter after the country's supreme court refused to determine whether the Communists violated a recent law barring legalization of parties that are subject to international discipline and have totalitarian aims. The law had been aimed specifically at the Communists.

The 160,000-member party, underground since the war but openly tolerated by Suarez since the first of the year, thus became inscribed officially as Spain's 125th legal "political association."

(AP, UPI)

## Egypt opposition can't travel without permission

CAIRO. — Leaders of the Egyptian leftist political party have been banned from travelling outside Egypt without permission of security authorities, the weekly party organ "Rose el-Youssef" reported yesterday.

The magazine said Khaled Mohamed, the party leader, was banned from travelling without prior permission.

Those affected also included Kamal Refaat, leader of the Nasserite group which supports the policies of the late President Gamal Abdel Nasser.

Egypt adopted a law in May 1971, abolishing such travel bans.

But there has been a clamp-down on the left since last January's food riots, which the government blamed on communists.

Meanwhile, former Vice-President Kamal Eddin Hussein, ousted from parliament in February for criticizing President Anwar Sadat's anti-riot measures, won a court battle yesterday in an effort to regain his legislative seat.

An appeals court upheld Hussein's constitutional right to be a candidate in Tuesday's special election.

(Reuters, AP)

## Carter's restrictions hang over nuclear conference

PERSEPOLIS, Iran (UPI). — Over 500 scientists from 41 countries gathered here yesterday for an international conference on nuclear technology overshadowed by U.S. President Jimmy Carter's recent move to curb nuclear exports and to delay construction of fast-breeder reactors.

Opening messages from Carter and Iran's Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi heightened the expected conflict between the U.S. and non-nuclear countries who may see Washington's restrictions on exports of fissionable material with weapons potential as hampering their access to nuclear energy.

"The Carter message read to the delegates to the five-day conference on 'all nations' to 'share the responsibility to bring the benefits of nuclear science and technology to mankind within a framework which assumes that its destructive potential is never unleashed.'"

The Shah said he shared "your deep interest in nuclear energy and I am profoundly conscious of the potential dangers," but added: "It is now clear to us all that the prevailing world dualism (withholding nuclear material and knowhow from nations such as Iran) more than any other factor inhibits the potentialities of

mankind for achieving a more equitable and healthy environment to live in. Technology has the inherent capacity to alleviate this dualism."

The Shah's message said Iran would forge ahead with its ambitious nuclear reactor programme aimed at producing 35,000 megawatts of nuclear power by 1982.

Carter last week announced an open-ended moratorium on development of breeder reactors, which produce additional fuel but are powered by weapons-usable plutonium, and on commercial reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel.

The U.S. delegates to the conference in central Iran include Carter's atomic policy adviser Lawrence Scheinman as well as the president-elect of the American Nuclear Society, Joseph Dietrich, who opposes the Carter policy as "too restrictive" on foreign nations which don't have America's coal or oil resources to rely on as an alternative to nuclear energy development.

## Air controllers on trial

ZAGREB, Yugoslavia (Reuters). — Eight airport flight controllers go on trial today, charged with causing an airliner collision in which 176 people died.

The accident last September was the world's worst mid-air collision. A British Airways Trident and a Yugoslav DC-9 charter airliner struck in midflight. All passengers and crew aboard the two airliners were killed.

If convicted, the controllers face prison sentences of up to 20 years.

The main accused, controller Gradimir Tasic, 28, is charged with failing to apply the regulations prescribed for separating the planes.

The court will also hear charges of negligence against the other seven controllers. These include arriving late at work, leaving their posts before their replacements came and failing to help Tasic when he was obviously overloaded with work.

## Egyptian gangster kills 8 in his gang

CAIRO (AP). — An Egyptian underworld leader massacred eight members of his gang with machine-gun fire yesterday when he caught them in a secret meeting, police reported.



FROM PRESIDENT TO PROF. — Former U.S. President Gerald Ford, now adjunct professor of political science at the University of Michigan, began teaching a course on the presidency late last week to juniors and seniors.

(AP radiophoto)

## Seven blacks slain as 'sell-outs' in Rhodesia

SALISBURY. — Troops shadowed by helicopters were combing the rain-drenched eastern Rhodesian highlands yesterday for the black gunmen who massacred seven black tea plantation workers on Good Friday.

Security chiefs blamed Communist-backed insurgents for the massacre — the worst since seven white Roman Catholic priests and nuns were slain in northwestern Rhodesia two months ago.

The men were gunned down a few kilometres from where 27 other tea plantation workers were shot to death in front of their wives last December, according to sources.

"The message is clear enough," said one security source. "Any black man who wants to earn his living working for a white man is a sell-out in the eyes of the terrorists (the popular Rhodesian reference to terrorists)."

Propaganda notes supporting the Zimbabwe African National Union (Zanu) guerrilla army of Robert Mugabe, which is the highest nationalist force operating in Rhodesia, were found beside the bullet-riddled corpses.

In a "familiarization" mission, British Foreign Secretary David Owen will begin his southern Africa tour in Dar Es Salaam today by meeting Mugabe and Tanzania President Julius Nyerere. Nyerere is particularly influential in the situation as chairman of the group of five front-line states who have been given special responsibility for the rebel British colony by the Organization of African Unity (OAU).

## U.S. cool to overtures from Gaddafi

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP). — President Mu'ammar Gaddafi is sending signals to Washington that Libya wants improved relations with the U.S.

But the U.S. response has been cool. Washington administration sources hold that Libya's support for international terrorism and its membership in the "rejection front" seeking Israel's extinction precludes any agreement.

Since the start of the year, Gaddafi has sent two effusive messages to U.S. President Jimmy Carter, offering "to foster relations of cooperation" with the new administration.

Simultaneously, Libya has launched a low-key, people-to-people approach, offering, among other projects, to participate in an Islamic Studies Centre at Washington's Georgetown University and inviting members of Indiana University to discuss the growing amount of Libyan students in the U.S.

Most of the official initiatives have been politely rebuffed. Gaddafi, a devout Moslem who has made the Koran one of the touchstones of his 1969 revolutionary comp, alluded in his messages to Carter's "call for the observance of spiritual values."

His hope, according to officials here, was that two deeply religious leaders could patch up some of the differences between the two countries. But Carter's reply did not go beyond a formal acknowledgement.

The 13-man American mission in Tripoli has been headed by a charge d'affaires for the past five years since the departure of the last U.S. ambassador and the 1970 closing of the sprawling U.S. Air Force base at Wheelus. The departures of American and British forces from their former bases are now celebrated as national holidays.

## New U.S. study clears saccharin

BALTIMORE (AP). — The consumption of saccharin does not have a significant effect on the development of bladder cancer in humans, a research group here says.

A Johns Hopkins University research group studied 1,088 persons over a four-year period to determine the effect of artificial sweeteners on humans. "The Baltimore Sun" said in its Sunday edition.

The Food and Drug Administration's ban on saccharin was based on a Canadian research project that said a steady consumption of saccharin resulted in the development of bladder cancer in some rats.

However, the Hopkins study refutes the cancer findings of the Canadian project.

The FDA ban will not take effect before July at the earliest.

## WORLD SCENE

SASSON JACO

# Argentina uneasy over human rights

A YEAR AFTER they seized power in Argentina from the chaotic government of Maria Estela Peron, the military rulers led by Gen. Jorge Videla are in the saddle. However, in their second year of rule, they still have to cope with the guerrillas, labour unrest, a scrappy economy — and the human rights issue.

Rumours of a cabinet reshuffle have been denied by the military authorities who said they would carry on with the job of pulling the country to its feet after it has seen nine military coups in the last 36 years. Nothing is being about the return to civilian rule.

But in one sphere the military rulers can show satisfaction; the war of leftist guerrillas, who for seven years tried to promote revolution through violence.

Three months ago, Videla, in his first press conference after his coup, set a confident mood. "We are very close to military victory. The armed wing of the opponent is practically annihilated."

THE SITUATION TODAY appears to bear this out. While anti-guerrilla action — which at times reached the proportions of an all-out war — made headlines last year, present-day news is much more muted. Nevertheless, indications are that the war is continuing but is being conducted by the government in a much more silent manner.

The military undoubtedly has the upper hand. The Marxist People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) is a pale shadow of what it once was, with neo-Fronterista guerrillas recently have been dying at the rate of 16 a day. As the more experienced guerrillas are killed off or put in prison bars, their places are taken by teenagers of both sexes who seem no match for the armed forces.

The Argentine newspaper "La Opinion" has estimated that since the 1976 military coup, the guerrillas lost 2,600 killed and over 1,400 desertions. This is about 80 per cent of the guerrilla strength, means there should be about 1,000 guerrillas left.

The only prominent guerrilla leader still alive today is reported to be tonero chief Mario Firmenich, the lone survivor of the youths who in 1976 napped and murdered President Pedro Aramburu to unleash the guerrilla movement among disgruntled Argentine adolescents.

THE GUERRILLAS have thus been reduced to making bomb attacks, only with the view of killing as many military men as possible in fewer. This doesn't seem effective, although they could have pulled off the effective operation on February 18. That day, Videla himself escaped attack when a bomb exploded at the side of an airport runway as his plane only 50 metres in the air after take-off.

The junta also faces a mess on labour and economic fronts. A wage imposed when it took power pulled down earnings to the lowest level in years; cutting government administrative costs resulted in dismissals; a phenomenon spreading on a wide scale in the labour sector in Argentina's *trabajando con tristeza* (working with sadness) or what was here in Israel as *shvika* (blitz) — go-slow strike.

With inflation running at 10 per cent a month and salaries some 60 per cent lower than a year ago, the military junta is watching the labour front much concern.

THE HUMAN RIGHTS issue is figuring prominently in Argentina these days with the view of killing as many military men as possible in fewer. The wave of repression against guerrillas and other leftist elements brought protests at home and abroad. Hundreds of people have been reported kidnapped from homes and workplaces by armed men claiming to be police; others have simply disappeared. There is no reliable estimate of the number of detainees in jail, clandestine detention places, but some reports place it at 7,000.

Argentina was one of the first countries, with Uruguay and Ethiopia, to weight of U.S. President Jimmy Carter's criticism of violations of human rights. The U.S. backed this up by trimming Argentina's arms purchases, mostly naval equipment, from \$30m to \$15m.

Gen. Videla is concerned over all this and the government has begun brush up its human rights record. After Amnesty International visited a time a few months ago, detention orders against 1,800 persons were some detained persons were handed over to the courts; some guerrillas, tried by courts martial, but no death sentences were given.

The military men know that over human rights they cannot cross President Carter and the governments of the European Economic Community but Argentina just can't afford to lose its export markets. Carter's strict made the Argentine junta, understandably angry — and decidedly une-

## Haley may have found weeds in researching 'Roots'

LONDON. — Black American author Alex Haley obtained much information for the African section of his best-selling book "Roots" from unreliable sources and "concocted" he may have been misled, according to an article in the London "Sunday Times."

"But Haley still maintains, with some justification, that the symbolic truth of 'Roots' remains unaltered," writer Mark Ottaway concluded in the copyrighted article.

The book, which appeared last fall, was turned into a week-long television series that was the most watched show of all time in the U.S. The British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) began screening the television serial over the Easter weekend.

In the book, Haley traces his family to the West African nation of Gambia and a man named Kunta Kinte who lived in the town of Juffure in the 18th century until he was captured and sold into slavery.

The "Sunday Times" said Haley conceded he might have been misled during his researches in Gambia. He was quoted as saying: "Neither you nor I know exactly what happened. But I stand by 'Roots' as a symbol of the fate of my people."

In the book, Haley says to the best of his knowledge "every lineage statement" was from either his African or American families' oral history, much of which he said he was able to confirm.

The newspaper said Ottaway spent last week in Gambia and found that:

"The man who provided Haley with the vital link to his ancestor Kunta Kinte 'was a man of notorious unreliability who probably knew beforehand what Haley wanted to hear.' Ottaway said that nobody knows what happened to Kunta Kinte."

The Juffure of 1787, the date Haley says Kunta Kinte was abducted, "differed fundamentally from the Juffure described in Haley's book."

It is highly unlikely a Juffure resident could have been captured by slavers in 1787. This is because, "as far as the inhabitants of Juffure were involved in slave trading, it

was not as violent as Haley's book suggests. Haley wrote: 'Haley chose the year 1787, a year of abduction because it fit with his researches in the although there was no supporting formation in Gambia.' Ottaway wrote:

Ottaway added that "Alex Haley admitted to me that, at one point, he found the African end of his story so confusing, so obscured by contradictory statements from different sources, that he very nearly decided to make the African section of the entire book, a mere historical novel."

(UPI)

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## CINEMA Matza giver

YI-YI-Yisraeli choral works. And when they came up upon the sea — they all rushed down to the sea crying "The sea — the sea." In case any doubt was cast upon the sea, as sea. And whereas the tourists in the State of Israel have not time to visit all over the land, they can view its wonders from the film "Moses." And when they return to their own land, they may see the full six-hour-long segments of the original TV production. So that the memory of Burt Lancaster stuttering and warming his toes at the burning bush, and the Children of Israel clothed in jockstraps building pyramids in the sands of the Negev, will become legend.

**B.H.**

**TWO-MINUTE WARNING** (Allanby, Tel Aviv) Starring Charlton Heston and John Cassavetes. Directed by Larry Peerce.

AND THE spirit came unto Burt Lancaster who hath grown a scraggly beard, and commanded him to go bopping in the Old City of Jerusalem and buy some souvenirs and "shmatas" and a rod, and to stumble around in the desert near the port of Eilat wearing such garb, and to take some Bedouin and Arab extras from Jericho and cloth them in shmatas also, and call them "The Children of Israel" and point with a trembling finger at the scenery saying "This is my kingdom, and I have asked to play Moses with the producer Vincenzo Labella and director Gianfranco de Bosio," and pretend it was a hallucination induced by over-exposure to matzas.

And blue-eyed Burt "Molsh" Lancaster took Swedish actress Ingrid Bergman as sister Miriam, and Greek actress Irene Pappas as wife Zipporah, and English actor Anthony Quayle as brother Aaron, and French actor Laurent Terzieff as Pharaoh, and Italian actress Mariangela Melato as Princess Sise, and Israeli actors Shmuel Menasky and Yossif Shiloah as Shiro and Dathan respectively, and spoke in Biblical tongue of old English, each according to his own kind.

And Molsh kissed wife Zipporah after their long separation, and assumed the Lotus position in the desert to reflect upon his folly, while the Children of Israel sang and danced their folk-dances to Dov Seltzer's

ton. Now it is the security people's nightmare everywhere.

So "Two-Minute Warning," although it drags a little to its shocking climax — and leaves some holes and a bit too much blood in its main theme — is a scary drama, because it can happen wherever people gather.

The sniper, with his rifle concealed, easily enters Los Angeles Coliseum, where 91,000 fans are coming to watch a football game. He is discovered by accident as he takes aim. The police are notified but don't seem to know what to do except escort all the VIPs to safety. Shall they assault the tower by helicopter? That would end the story and there would be no excuse for the running dialogue between the police captain (Charlton Heston) and the sergeant of the police command unit (John Cassavetes). The sergeant is all for killing the sniper, but the captain seems to be concerned about the man's civil and political rights. After all, so far, he hasn't shot anybody.

While the two debate, police commands move into strategic positions, the football game goes on, and the camera follows the muzzle of the sniper's rifle as it weaves erratically across the screen like a cobra's head, ready to strike anyone.

Finally, the lethal sniper pours out, creating one of the most exciting scenes in cinematography.

What was the reason? Why did he do it? Was he mad? All the police know is that his name was Carl Cook... or maybe Karl Cook. The movie is a thriller but it doesn't spell it out.

**M.G.**

# Our cup overfloweth

By RICHARD FLANTZ  
Special to The Jerusalem Post

APPROACHING Tel Aviv, the road is crisscrossed with cars all going one way, cries of Ma-cas-bi across car windows, a long double line moving slowly because the traffic lights stay on such a short time each time. There're almost no cars going out of town. The police could have made streets all one-way for an hour or two, leading into the city's centres.

At Arlozoroff and Bloch, cars streaming towards Dizengoff, others toward the Kikar Hamedina where, when Maccabi beat the Soviet team, the celebration was unbelievable. We head that way.

The going's slow but deafening and eye-filling with horns and cries and walking people waving banners and anything, towards the traffic lights at Ibn Gabirol. Everyone's honking, no-one's hurrying, the noise is joy and elation. "Even Independence Day hasn't been like this lately," says someone.



(A.B.G.)

Under the Municipality the road runs parallel to the pool. The Kikar looks packed and milling, people dancing in numerous knots, waving things, others pressing forward to the pool's edge, yes there are people in it.

Now to park the car. Park anywhere, no cop'll be writing tickets tonight. No space beside the zoo. Into a one-way sidestreet, all full. Back up, park on a corner under a no-parking sign, half on the sidewalk. Cars on the sidewalks, cars in no-parking zones, cars driving around the square honking, open cars, pickups with people drumming on the cabin roof from behind. At one corner an open sports car with English number plates, two long-haired youngsters sitting on the back, glasses in their hands from the pub on the corner. They drive off as if they're in England, up the left-hand lane, dodging approaching traffic.

A man strips naked and jumps into the pool, where several others, stripped to the waist, are wading and waving, sometimes rushing to the edge to splash the cheering crowd.

People all over the paved square. The English car there too, driving in circles among the singing walkers and dancers. A pair of motorcyclists. Tooting. In Rehov Frishman, heading towards Dizengoff, cars crawl trumpeting, walkers blow bugles, the sidewalks are so packed they walk in the roadway beside the cars.

Horns of all kinds, drumming and cacophony. If only someone could record it. A deep loud bass blasts

harmony and rhythm, a semi-trailer's air-horn, we can see its cabin advancing slowly in the triumphant cavalcade. If you're with someone you'd better hold hands so as not to get separated. If there's a few of you together you can skip in line following the leader, weaving through the walkers, singing Haganiya hu she'elanu (The cup is ours) and other chants.

Groups and lines pass each other, picking up a chant and carrying it on. Not everyone picks them up, many are shy to be seen singing and dancing in the street, but they want to be walking where it's happening. At Dizengoff the cars aren't getting across the intersection, the crowd is so dense. Circle-dances in the middle of the roadway. "These people have been waiting for something like this for a long time." "A victory, eh?" "National pride or whatever, a reason for rejoicing together." "It's not just victory or pride, it's to do with sport too." "Ma-cas-bi! Ma-cas-bi!" "La le la-la, la la la-la hey-bey Ma-cas-bi."

Strange processions outside Cafe Kasit. Fireworks fly high. A line led by a dwarf, people with various physical deformities, waves in the direction of Dizengoff Circle chanting, "Yesh Elohim! Yesh Elohim!" ("There is a God! There is a God!"). Hundreds mill around Kasit, looking in. Inside, men, women, boys, girls, stomping and singing, bottles in their hands. Two young men, one with long curly ginger hair and a full

laughing freckled face, the other with long straight George Harrison hair and beard get up on a table after leading the singing from the floor. Two or three others join them.

They're singing Maccabi chants, with the word Maccabi replacing holy names. The way they sing it doesn't sound like blasphemy, it sounds like another manifestation. Bottles of beer pass around. On the house? On someone? Who knows, who cares, drinking and singing and stamping and clapping. The guys on the table are good, maybe professionals, ecstatic but cool. A bottle of brandy appears. The guy holding it will only let people drink from it out of his hands.

Further down Dizengoff towards Gordon, a huge crowd under a balcony, lots of kids mounted on shoulders, bodies hopping up and down, waving arms, chanting, shouting. There's a spotlight on them, maybe there's a TV camera up there.

People meet people they never expected to meet. "What, you're a fan too?" And hear of celebrations going on in other towns, other cities.

Gordon is quieter. It's that kind of street, and maybe it's later. The din from Dizengoff fades, but rises again towards Kikar Hamedina. The cafes and ice-cream parlours are full, but ingenuity can always find chairs in the front row looking out at the whole square, with the Municipality building as backdrop, three quarters of its large glass win-

dowe lit up. The press is thick around the pizza counter, but people can talk instead of pushing. Situations which could jag and jangle nerves are soothed with smiles and the magic word Ma-cas-bi.

The procession of cars in raucous symphony is endless. Cars with public-address systems on the roof cry Maccabi to the house-tops. Couples walk embraced in the laughing light. At one table a man strums hard on a guitar while a circle of twenty or more sing with him. Across the road in the square an Arab hand-drum beats a different rhythm. No cigarettes to be bought around here, but people are generous tonight. "For Maccabi," they say.

On the pool now people are swimming, overarm swim, it looks like a race, others dive in, it looks like a relay race, can it be? There must be a dozen swimmers in the pool, some fully clothed: some get pushed in, some jump or dive in, and some have wetness splashed upon them. It's safer up on the first-floor balcony looking down into the pool than beside it.

The chants continue, now one, now another, mixing with the bakings. The road under the Municipality looks impassable, people are up on top of cars and around them in another cluster of happening. It's 2:15 a.m. One has to get right out of the city before the sounds subside.

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## GARDENER'S CORNER Walter Frankl

### More on hydroponics

LAST WEEK this column explained the many advantages and few disadvantages of soilless gardening. A plant unlike animals or human beings, gets its food only in fluid form. The nutrients required by plants to grow to perfection have been accurately established by plant physiologists. These nutrients are present in perfect soil and made available to plants through rain or irrigation which takes them into solution.

To achieve reasonable results in growing plants in soil, compost, manure or artificial fertilizers are added periodically. In hydroponics, this is not necessary. Plants grow in a completely inert medium, like vermiculite, gravel or perlite, and feed on a nutrient solution containing a balanced ration of all essential plant-food.

When the problem of nutrition is solved, there remains only the question of root and stem support. You save to provide something similar to soil so that plants won't fall down. Hydroponics solves this problem by various means — sawdust, gravel, vermiculite, etc.

The flowering wall. Semiramis, the mythical Queen of Babylon, was famous for her legendary "hanging gardens." "New says every man has a garden," said the famous French philosopher. The source of soilless hanging gardens in our time is South Africa. Many non-professional gardeners in Johannesburg and Cape Town use this system to beautify the flat roofs of their houses. Anton Goering, a pioneer of hydroponics in Switzerland, studied this special form of soilless culture and described it for the first time in 1948. Soon afterwards, the first modern "hanging gardens" went on sale at Robert Water's seed shop in Bern. They were based on two metal or wooden frames, bound together 18cm. apart



Miracle Gardens, new indoor and outdoor plastic containers produced in Israel.

and surrounded by a wire grill open on top.

One could buy heart- or tyre- or bell-shaped wire net containers. They contained moss (sphagnum) and were watered with a nutrient solution. They are still used in hotel roof gardens, restaurants and private homes. To construct a "hanging garden" without expensive, imported sphagnum moss, use a mixture of wood shavings and peat (or vermiculite) as a filling substance.

The wire net has to be of a fine weave to be able to hold the material. Allow your "hanging garden" to lie horizontally for 2-3 weeks, until the plants or seeds grow satisfactorily. Use a small stick or pencil to make plantholes through the hallow wire net. Water the medium with nutrient solution before planting or sowing and repeat when the front surface of your wall garden is covered with plants and seeds.

For the second irrigation, use ordinary tap water. Planting may be much closer in a "hanging garden" than in a garden bed. In the soil, one plants an average of 12-16 plants per square metre. In my wall garden, I planted more than 100 (!) flower plants on one single square metre and all of them flowered normally. All kinds of shallow-growing

flowers and evergreens may be used: pansy, nasturtium, alyssum, petunia, hania, semperverena, salvia, vinca, calendula, aster, phlox, nemesia, portulaca, verbena, centaurea, escholtzia, bellis, gallardia, ageratum, dimorphaea, carnation hedewigii, asparagus sprengeri, tradescantia, etc.

After the initial period of germination and establishment, bang your "garden" and then plant on the top, as well as on the sides. A fence-garden dries quickly and has to be watered daily (and once every two weeks with nutrient solution as described in last week's column).

Well-treated, a "hanging garden" will provide long-flowering roof or balcony decoration. The plants adapt themselves quickly to the hanging position and will soon change the direction of their growth. As they turn skywards, their stems, leaves and flowers will cover all of the wire, forming an unforgettable, beautiful array of multi-coloured flowers and evergreen branches.

Self-feeding flower pots. Florists in our country in the last few years at first imported and later developed various plastic plant containers, which supply the necessary plant food and moisture from a bottom reservoir. All these designs are based on capillary attraction and filled either with artificial sand pebbles, made of ceramic sand imported from Switzerland ("Leca"), or with water absorbent local pumice stone from the Golan Heights.

Those containers are mostly planted with common house plants like philodendron, rubber trees (ficus), monstera, aspidistra, croton, peperomia, hoy, scindapsus (fofns), sanseveria, fatia, euonymus, corydine, dieffenbachia and others. Israeli florists use the Swiss name of this system "Luwasa" (from the German for air, water and sand, "Luft, Wasser and Sand"). The upper part of those containers, filled with pebbles, supports the plant. It has several bottom holes, and when inserted into the lower part of the pot, it fits exactly, giving the appearance of a single flower pot filled with soil mixture.

The lower part is water-proof and half filled with nutrient solution. The ends of the plant roots reach the nutrient solution, getting intensive nourishment. Since an air space is indispensable, the lower part of the container must always be only half-full; otherwise the plant roots would rot and the plant would die for lack of aeration.

These containers are expensive and used mostly as an indoor decoration in banks, hospitals, hotels, etc. Their advantage is in a saving of manpower: no watering, weeding or cultivation is needed for plants grown in self-feeding hydroponic containers.

Miracle gardens. In Jerusalem a group of young people started the production of "miracle gardens," a hydroponical unit with fully automatic self-feeding, easily maintained even by schoolchildren. The "miracle garden" is a simple hydroponic setup that fits an ordinary window sill, for indoor or outdoor growing, for flowers, vegetables or kitchen herbs. It serves as a hobby garden for amateurs and is a help for religious people as a source of vitamins in "Sh'mitta" (Sabbatical) years.

It consists of two plastic trays. The top is filled with gravel (vermiculite or perlite) and holds the plants, while the bottom acts as a reservoir for water and nutrient solution. A little pump (driven by electric power, like the aeration pump for aquariums) serves as a water and food supplier. This new system will soon appear on the Israeli market and will be relatively the cheapest hydroponic garden generally available.

## THE 81st BLOW

a Beit Lohamei Haghetta'ot documentary film on the European Holocaust,

will be shown under a special Ministry of the Interior licence on Wednesday, April 13, 1977, the eve of Heroes and Martyrs Memorial Day, at the following places:

Jerusalem — Beit Ha'am, 6.45 and 9.15 p.m.  
Tel Aviv — Beit Ha'yari, 7.00 and 9.00 p.m.  
Dimona — Town Hall; Carmiel — Local Council building; Lachish — Area Council offices; Or Akiva — Community Centre; Rehovot — Community Centre; Tel Aviv University.  
Schools: Wizo area school, Atolia; Reali, Haifa; Kugel, Holon.  
W.U.S. Institute, Arah.  
Tavor Educational Institute.  
Kibbutzim and Moshavim: Hazorea, Lahav, Maspi, Maayan Baruch, Nahshon, Nahshonim, Nir David, Nir Oz, Netzer-Sereni, Eia Dor, Rubama, Moshav Hatzeva, Moshav Tzur-Natan.

Army camps.  
The film will also be screened on the dates shown at the following places:

Monday, April 11  
Tel Aviv City Hall, and Kibbutz Maagan Michael  
Tuesday, April 12  
Schools: Yad Singalovski, Tel Aviv; Tomar, Beersheba.  
Haifa Students' Hostel.  
Moshav Omot; Kibbutz Gofit  
Thursday, April 14  
Schools: Givat Brenner area school; Kfar Hano'ar School, Kfar Hassidim; Moshav Tzabar, Eshkol; Magen; David Yelin Seminary, Jerusalem; Ironi Hadash, Holon; Shapira, Netanya; Mossad Naaman, Kibbutzim: Urim, Gvulot, Ganah, Deganya A, Harel, Yotam, Moshavim, Palmachim, Ein Tzurim, Kvutzat Kinneret.  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Jerusalem.  
Friday, April 15  
Schools: Orit, Netanya; Beit Zvi, Ramat Gan; Naharon, Ramat Hasharon; Beit Haim (Mehad), Kibbutzim: Adzmit, Alonim, Givat Haim (Mehad), Ezerim, Hefziba, Kfar Az, Nir Az, Tel Yosef.  
Saturday, April 16  
Secondary Boarding School, Kfar Sava; Community Centre, Rishon Lezion.

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Martyrs and Heroes Remembrance Authority

On Martyrs and Heroes Remembrance Day  
Thursday, April 14, 1977 (26 Nisan)

## Honour Guards

composed of members of the Organization of Jewish Fighters, partisans and ex-concentration camp prisoners will be stationed next to the "Ghetto Uprising" Memorial Wall at Yad Vashem, Har Hazeckaron, Jerusalem, from 8.00 a.m. until the mourning shema at 1.00 p.m.

At 10.00 a.m. a wreath-laying ceremony will be held at the Memorial Wall with the participation of delegations from official and public institutions and schools. There will also be a tree-planting ceremony in the Memorial Garden commemorating the children who died in the Holocaust. With the participation of Mr. Aharon Yadin, Minister of Education and Culture and Dr. Yitzhak Arad, Chairman of the Yad Vashem Executive.

Artistic programme: "Rubama" School Choir directed by Ms. Esther Shalem; music by Tanaz Simai and Idit Bar Moshe of the Rubin Academy of Jerusalem High School (trute).

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### Assistance Scheme for Young Couples

On July 1, 1977, the Ministry of Housing's assistance programmes for young couples will be amended.

From this date, there will be an increase in the monthly sums to be repaid by persons granted loans under the "Young Couples" scheme and who hold a valid rights certificate.\*

This change will not affect persons who receive a loan up to and including June 30, 1977.

In addition, the amount of assistance granted to young couples with a large number of points will be increased for certain towns, effective April 1, 1977.

Eligible couples will be granted assistance as follows:

#### 1) Loan for purchase of flat

Table of loans and monthly payments in IL\*\* (in parentheses) according to points and location of flat (numbers in larger type refer to loans which have been increased).

No. of points	Development towns	Group 1 towns	Group 2 towns	Group 3 towns	Group 4 towns	Group 5 towns	Group 6 towns
up to 390	130,000 (500)	100,000 (500)	50,000 (1010)	40,000 (820)	60,000 (1230)	50,000 (1010)	
400—790	130,000 (500)	100,000 (500)	50,000 (840)	40,000 (680)	60,000 (1060)	60,000 (1060)	
800—990	130,000 (500)	100,000 (500)	80,000 (670)	60,000 (480)	95,000 (850)	85,000 (740)	
1000—1190	130,000 (500)	100,000 (500)	90,000 (675)	70,000 (510)	120,000 (900)	95,000 (740)	
1200—1390	130,000 (500)	100,000 (500)	90,000 (530)	80,000 (445)	130,000 (850)	95,000 (590)	
1400 and over	140,000 (540)	110,000 (540)	110,000 (525)	100,000 (460)	140,000 (730)	105,000 (530)	

The total amount of mortgage assistance from all sources may not exceed 90% of the price of the flat, including V.A.T.

\* A definition of rights may be found in the Ministry of Housing booklet.

\*\* The monthly payments during the first three years after receipt of the loan.

#### TOWNS CLASSIFIED BY GROUPS:

- 1st Group: Eilat, Beit Shean, Hatzor, Yerusham, Maalot, Mitzpe Ramon, Kiryat Shmona, Shlomi.
- 2nd Group: Or Akiva,\* Ofakim, Ashkelon,\* Beit Shmesh, Dimona, Tiberias, Yavneh, Yokne'am, Carmiel, Migdal Ha'emek, Upper Nazareth, Netivot, Acre, Afula, Arad, Safad, Kiryat Arba, Kiryat Gat, Malachi, Sderot.
- 3rd Group: Even Yehuda, Or Yehuda, Ashdod, Beer Yaakov, Beit Dagan, Binyamina, Givat Ada, Gadera, Gamel Tikva, Zichron Yaakov, Tirat Hacarmel, Yahud, Lod, Mazkeret Batya, Nahariya, Nesher, Pardess Hanna, Pardessiya, Kadima, Kiryat Ata, Kiryat Yam, Kiryat Ekron, Rechasim, Ramla, Ramat Yishai, Rosh Ha'ayin.
- 4th Group: Asor, Bnei Brak, Bat Yam, Givatayim, Givat Shmuel, Hod Hasharon, Herzliya, Hadera, Holon, Haifa, Tivon, Kfar Saba, Neve Efrayim (Momonson), Nahalat Yehuda, Ness Ziona, Netanya, Petah Tikva, Kiryat Omer, Kiryat Bialik, Kiryat Motzkin, Rishon Lezion, Rehovot, Ramat Hasharon, Ramot Hasharon, Ramat Gan, Raanana, Tel Aviv.
- 5th Group: Jerusalem, Mevasseret Yerushalayim, Maor Zion.
- 6th Group: Beersheba, Givat Olga, Kfar Yona, Atlit.

\* For the purposes of housing assistance, Or Akiva and Ashkelon are not considered development towns.

The loans listed in the table are for the purchase of flats in all parts of the country, with an AREA of up to 75 sq.m. (GROSS), costing not more than IL250,000 (IL270,000 in Jerusalem), including V.A.T.

There is no limit on the size or price of flats purchased in development towns.

• Young couples purchasing a flat not larger than 64 sq.m. (gross) with at least 1½ rooms, will be granted an additional IL20,000 effective April 1, 1977.

• Couples choosing to live in neighbourhoods or towns classified "preferred" by the Ministry of Housing will be eligible for greater assistance, even if they have a low number of points.

• Young couples purchasing a new flat in development towns will receive, in addition to the loan, a conditional grant of IL15,000 to IL45,000 according to the location. The grant will be given on condition that the couple live there for at least five years.

• Couples purchasing a new flat in Beit Shean, Maalot, Kiryat Shmona or Shlomi will be eligible for a IL28,000 grant in addition to the loan and conditional grant, to cover costs resulting from building to the "security" specification.

#### 2) Rented flats

• Young couples with at least 1,400 points may rent a flat, subject to availability, under the conditions offered by the housing companies. In a number of towns, mainly the development towns, rental flats may be available to those with a lower number of points.

• In some towns, the Ministry of Housing pays part of the rent of those with 1,400 points or more.

This contribution by the Ministry of Housing applies to 2-3 room flats, and will not exceed 75% of the amount paid by the couple, and in any case not more than IL300 per month (IL350 in Jerusalem).

Young couples in required professions who move to a development town can rent a new flat, with an option to buy. The purchase price will be determined at the time of purchase, and part of the rent paid will be put against the price.

Registration for housing assistance to young couples (also possible by post)

Applicants must fill out the appropriate form, available at registration offices, offices of the public housing companies, and on application in writing to P.O.R. 1462, Jerusalem.

Addresses of the above are available at area offices of the Ministry of Housing (see last section of this notice).

Further details of the scheme may be found in the booklet issued by the Ministry of Housing for young couples, available at the places given above.



3+ Scheme

for those living in overcrowded conditions (3 or more persons to a room) continuously since April 1, 1973.

Amendments to the Ministry of Housing's 3+ Scheme will become effective on July 1, 1977.

From that date, the amount of monthly payments by those with rights granted loans will be increased, and the amount of loans to large families will be raised. More convenient terms for loan repayment will be given to those receiving a loan up to June 30, 1977.

• This scheme covers the granting of loans for the purchase of a flat, or for the enlargement of an existing flat.

Up to June 30, 1977, the amount of loans given to those with rights under this scheme will be between IL30,000 and IL120,000:

To a family without housing	up to IL120,000
To a family of 8 or more, with housing	up to IL120,000
To a family of 7, with housing	up to IL110,000
To a family of 6, with housing	up to IL100,000
To a family of 5, with housing	up to IL 90,000
The maximum loan is subject to an IL10,000 addition in Jerusalem.	

These loans are not available in development towns, where increased assistance is given, without reference to overcrowding.

#### Registration for the 3+ Scheme

Applicants for assistance under this scheme should fill out an application form at one of the branches of Bank Tefahot. This bank is responsible for registration, determining applicants' rights, and implementing the scheme.

#### Development Areas Scheme

• In development areas, large loans are granted for flat purchase, for owner-occupier construction, and for the enlargement of existing flats.

These loans are given to those living in these areas, and to those moving to a development area.

The maximum assistance is given to families without housing. Two-thirds of the maximum for a particular town is given to those with housing. Families who already own a flat will not be required to sell it as a condition to receiving this assistance, but those who do sell such a flat will be given easier repayment terms.

• In addition to the loan for the purchase of a new flat, a conditional grant is made of between IL15,000 and IL45,000 (depending on the town). This money becomes a grant, after 5 years residence in the town.

In Beit Shean, Maalot, Kiryat Shmona and Shlomi, in addition to the loan and conditional grant for the purchase of a new flat, a grant of IL28,000 is made, to cover additional expenses due to construction to the "security" specification.

• An additional loan of IL20,000 is given to those who buy a flat of up to 64 sq.m. (gross), with at least 1½ rooms.

#### Assistance to those in required professions

The Ministry of Housing gives additional inducements to those in preferred professions who move to a development town.

• Those in preferred professions who move to a development town may rent a new flat for a period of 3 years. During or at the end of this period, the flat may be purchased at a price to be determined at the time of purchase. Part of the rent paid will be put against the price.

• Easier loan repayment terms will be given to those in preferred professions.

#### ASSISTANCE LEVELS AND MONTHLY PAYMENTS (IL)

		Group 1 towns	Group 2 towns
Purchase terms — families without housing	Loan Monthly payment Monthly payment — young couples / preferred professions	130,000 500 500	100,000 570 500
Purchase terms — families with housing	Loan Monthly payment Monthly payment — preferred professions Monthly payment — owned flat not sold (pref. prof. and others)	85,000 330 330 430	65,000 430 330 430
Purchase terms — one person	Loan Monthly payment Monthly payment — preferred professions	65,000 250 250	50,000 330 250

Group 1: Eilat, Beit Shean, Hatzor, Yerusham, Maalot, Mitzpe Ramon, Kiryat Shmona, Shlomi.

Group 2: Ofakim, Beit Shmesh, Dimona, Tiberias, Yavneh, Yokne'am, Yamit, Carmiel, Migdal Ha'emek, Upper Nazareth, Netivot, Acre, Afula, Arad, Safad, Kiryat Malachi, Kiryat Arba, Kiryat Gat, Sderot.

#### PLEASE NOTE!

• These details are correct at this date. Changes may be made in the conditions applying to the various schemes, and these will be publicized in the press, notices, and by other means.

• This notice does not give all details of the schemes. FULLER DETAILS ARE CONTAINED IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING'S BOOKLET. The conditions applying will be those in force at the time assistance is given.

• Additional information and explanations are available at district offices of the Ministry of Housing, and offices of government urban housing companies.

#### MINISTRY OF HOUSING DISTRICT OFFICES

Galilee — 1 Rehov Hahermon, Upper Nazareth, Tel. 065-56820.

Haifa — 21 Derech Ha'atzma'ut, Haifa, Tel. 04-660961.

Central District — 113 Rehov Hahashmona'im, Tel Aviv, Tel. 03-269211.

Central District — Southern Area — 3 Rehov Ezra, Rehovot, Tel. 03-957826.

Jerusalem — 23 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel. 02-240863.

Negev — Mercas Hanegev Building, Derech Metzada, Beersheba, Tel. 057-34911.

#### GOVERNMENT URBAN HOUSING COMPANIES

HALAMISH — Government Urban Housing Rehabilitation Company, Tel Aviv-Yafo Ltd., 45 Sderot Yerushalayim, Tel Aviv, Tel. 03-831785.

PEAZOT — Government Urban Housing Company, Jerusalem, Ltd., 6 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Jerusalem, Tel. 02-228396, and 5 King George Ave., Jerusalem, Tel. 02-224375.

Lod Development Co., Ltd., 11 Rehov Pinkas, Lod, Tel. 03-964372.

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Michael Hordern stars in Tom Stoppard's "Jumpers."

# Choose from Stoppard, Christie, Pinter or Coward London theatre: still superb and cheap

LONDON LETTER / Mark Segal

MILLIONS of foreign visitors pour into London annually with one aim — to pay homage to the British theatre. In the summer there are hardly any natives to be seen in the non-air-conditioned West End theatres. Instead, there are hundreds of Americans, Germans and Scandinavians, as well as Israelis, the latter collapsing into their seats after a day of intensive shopping.

No other capital city today offers so much varied entertainment at such reasonable prices. Tens of thousands of fans may frequent the huge pop concerts, but the resonant English of Shakespeare still lures many to Stratford-on-Avon and numerous theatres in London and the provinces. Indeed, the latest production at the National Theatre is Julius Caesar (in modern dress), directed by John Schlesinger, who took leave from films in provide John Gielgud with a vehicle of tremendous power. Gielgud's huge voice resounds through the hall, a radical change after years of low-key acting in Pinter's "No Man's Land." His performance, together with that of Sir Ralph Richardson, is an unforgettable theatrical experience.

The National Theatre (NT) has made much money out of the Pinter play, especially from its New York run. Indeed, the transfer of such box office draws to the West End has produced yelps of protest from managers of commercial theatres who complain of unfair competition from subsidized theatre. Newspaper

gossip has made much of the four per cent royalty that Peter Hall, director of the National Theatre, received when his production of "No Man's Land" ran at the Wyndham. It emerged that the all-powerful professional union — Equity — insisted on this arrangement. Hall continues to be the focus of controversy, with a campaign of criticism aimed at him by various newspapers. But no one gainsays his great talents at theatre direction (and politics) which created the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC).

The National Theatre has just completed its first year and its majestic, modernistic outlines have already become part of the skyline on the River Thames, alongside the Royal Festival Hall complex and the National Film Theatre.

The NT contains three halls: the Olivier, which is an open-stage; the smaller Lyttelton — with a proscenium arch; and the smallest — the Cottesloe, for experimental drama. Apart from the eight halls, there is constant activity in the foyer and terraces (hallo, please note!) — exhibitions of paintings and photographs, plus poetry readings, mime performances and classical and jazz concerts daily — just before the plays begin. All the latter are free. Unlike subsidized theatre in Israel, the NT charges the absolute minimum for most seats.

Twenty-five per cent are priced at £1 each, and some at half of that, which is why the place hums with activity and young people all day and every evening.

Because the National Theatre has the best English actors and directors at its command the performances are usually superb. Albert Finney is starring in Christopher Marlowe's gory pageant "Tamburlaine the Great" with a cast of 51 — it has not been performed for 25 years. Another revival — Goldoni's comedy, "Il Campiello," proved a flop; not even Beryl Reid (Killing of Sister George, Entertaining Mr. Sloane) could save it.

Nostalgia being today's great British growth industry, Noel Coward's comedy "Blithe Spirit" is one of the NT's bright box-office successes. Back in 1941, it ran for 187 performances and it may do as well now. This is the kind of comedy of manners at which the English so excel, and it has the comic talents of gorgeous Maria Aitken, considered the equal of Gertrude Lawrence and Hermione Gingold.

But the biggest success at the NT (you can't get a ticket) is Tom Stoppard's "Jumpers." After making the Royal Shakespeare Company solvent with his brilliant "Travesties," Stoppard continues to dazzle, amuse and amaze with the stunningly hilarious pyrotechnics of

"Jumpers."

The play operates at so many interlocked levels that audiences are kept on their mental toes. The nub is an argument over the morality of modern metaphysics, but it is embedded in many layers of entertaining theatre. While the professor (brilliantly played by Michael Hordern) tries to dictate a lecture in one room, his wife is frantically trying to dispose of a corpse next door. As Stoppard holds that logical positivists are acrobats, he has his practitioners dressed up in yellow training suits performing gymnastics in the opening scene. In this the wife, played by Julie Covington, is the pop star focus of a wild Cambridge party. "Jumpers" is simultaneously about the conflict of ideas, a detective story, university politics and a pop star — all intertwined and produced at a dizzying pace.

The British theatre has not produced many playwrights like Stoppard for years now. Some say it is because style has taken priority over content. This would explain the predominance of old plays on the commercial stage — the place is packed with revived works of Agatha Christie, Somerset Maugham and Ben Travers.

The most interesting play on at the moment continues to be Simon Gray's "Otherwise Engaged" at the

Corned. It is the most quintessentially English 1970s play currently running. Just as John Osborne's "Look Back in Anger" is now regarded as the seminal play of the late '60s, so "Otherwise Engaged" may be seen in the future as the play of the mid-70s. Harold Pinter's direction brings out the element of despair, for Gray is concerned with the crisis of middle-class, middle-age marriage, and his television plays on this theme were among the best of 1976.

The main character reflects all those English intellectuals who simply do not wish to be bothered, while his writer pal spells out his dislike of "abroad" and foreigners of all kinds. The words are everything. The play concludes with the Englishman's home-is-my-castle privacy in ruins and the main character and his pal taking refuge in drink.

A suspicion that the play would not travel was confirmed when seeing the Camerl theatre production during my recent visit home. The actors failed in grasp this mistranslated material, except perhaps for Yossi Graber. Hy Kahn made "Otherwise Engaged" into a Yiddish play, something which I would have thought impossible.

Space does not permit mention of such successful shows as Chorus Line, Equus, Alan Ayckhourn's various plays and, lately, the lusty 17th century comedy "Wild Oats" revived by the Royal Shakespeare Company.

## Hadassah women boost computer science studies

Special to The Jerusalem Post  
MOST ISRAELIS, Hadassah is a hospital. Yet there are non-medical activities carried in Israel by this largest of American Jewish women's organizations.

Hadassah Community College, Jerusalem, for example, has introduced courses in mini-computers in its Computer Sciences Department. These in micro-computers is the only one conducted at present in Israel.

According to the department's director, Mr. Aviel Schatz, mini-computers and micro-computers are the great technological breakthrough of this decade. As a result, have had to up-date not only our teaching methods and equipment but the settings in which we teach. Can't teach about mini-computers and micro-computers in a traditional classroom; you need a that looks more like a science-

fiction film. You have to create a new atmosphere as well as new tools.

The mini-computer may be connected to a large-scale central computer but can perform certain operations by itself and is suited for small data-processing tasks for scientific purposes and industrial control systems. It can deal, for example, with inventory control, billing, accounting and manpower allocation.

"Micro-computers are even newer," explained Mr. Schatz. On a small metal plate — a memory card — there are numbers of little flat rectangles called "chips" with silver dots on them. These are replacements for the huge, bulky transistors formerly used. Each "memory card" can store lots of information. We have 16,000 characters of information in all. It takes about 350 manoseconds to get an answer to specific data from the device. A manosecond is a billionth of a second.

It is anticipated that all cars of the future will contain micro-computers programmed to control gasoline flow, mixtures, carbon monoxide contents — in fact virtually everything. Mini- and micro-computers will enter every field such as communications, medicine, scientific research. "The chip," noted Mr. Schatz, "is as revolutionary as the discovery of electricity."

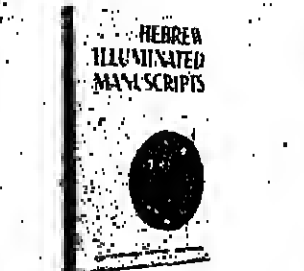
The Computer Science Department has 60 students in two classes. The new course resulted from consultations with five M.I.T. graduates as an effort to provide Israel with some of the trained technicians it needed to handle sophisticated tools.

The Hadassah Vocational Guidance Institute is proving a great benefit to new olim, especially those from the USSR, to find new fields of interest for which they can be trained. The Institute helped in the selection of candidates for new mozhavim such as Sde Nitzan where university graduates selected by them are now successfully engaged in a new type of innato farming under glass.

These and other Hadassah projects were recently inspected by Mrs. Nina Katir, wife of the President of Israel.

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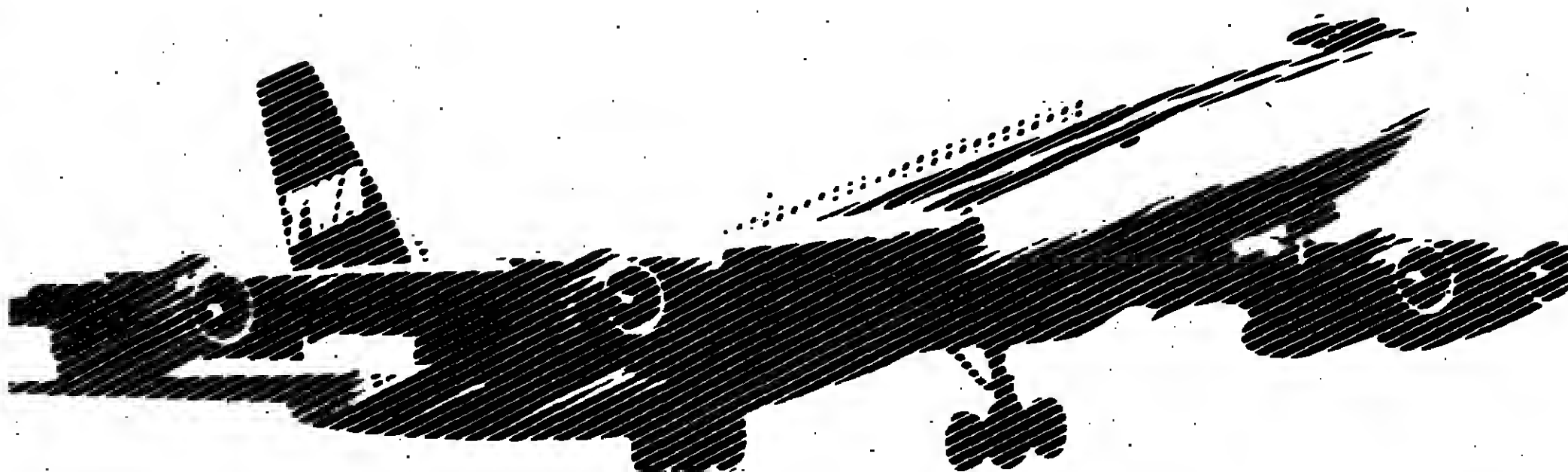
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